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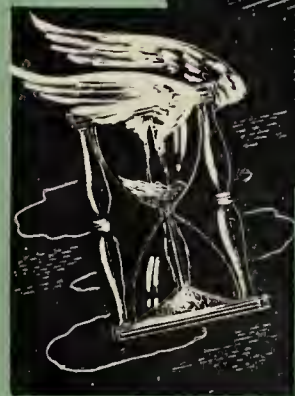
MEMORIES





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Principal's Message

On behalf of the faculty, staff and student body of Richmond County High School, I extend congratulations and best wishes to the Student Council and its advisor, Mrs. Meta L. Sampson, who have worked so faithfully to produce the school's first yearbook.

The experiences which you have received in planning, selling ads, layout and designing, and assembling materials will be of practical value to you in the years which lie ahead.

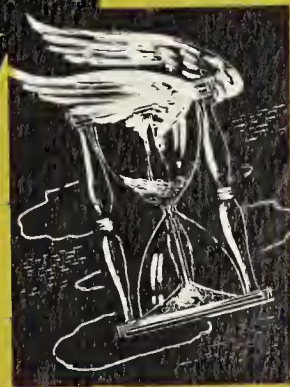
The cooperative efforts of the various departments in assisting the Student Council is evidence of the unexcelled loyalty of our school family and its desire to see student council projects succeed.

The yearbook is but one of the many and ever expanding activities which the school is attempting to use to discover and develop the talents which our boys and girls possess.

We thank you for this futuramic history book in which you have recorded in photos and words the story of Richmond County High, what and how it gives you the things you want to know and the things you've done.

W. H. Mackey

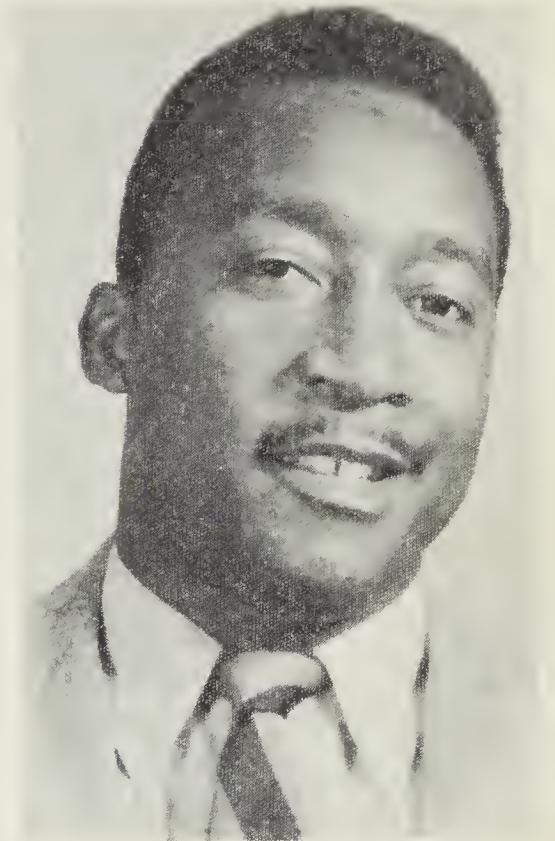
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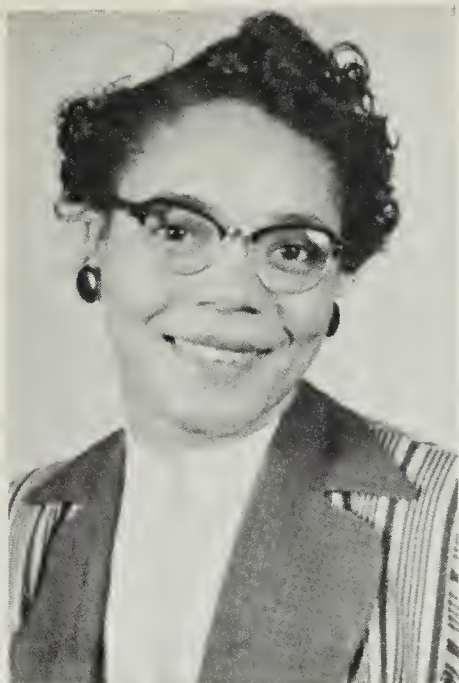
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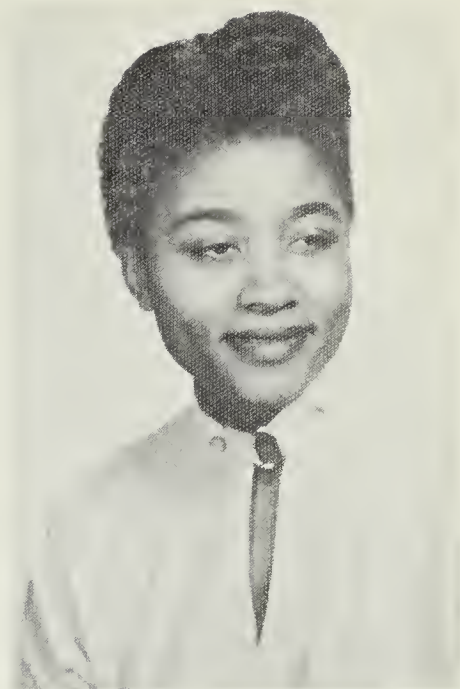


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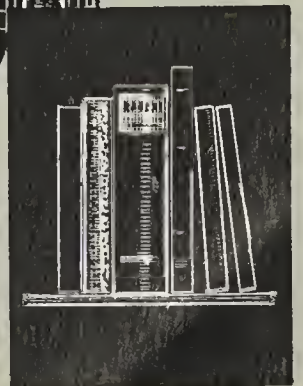
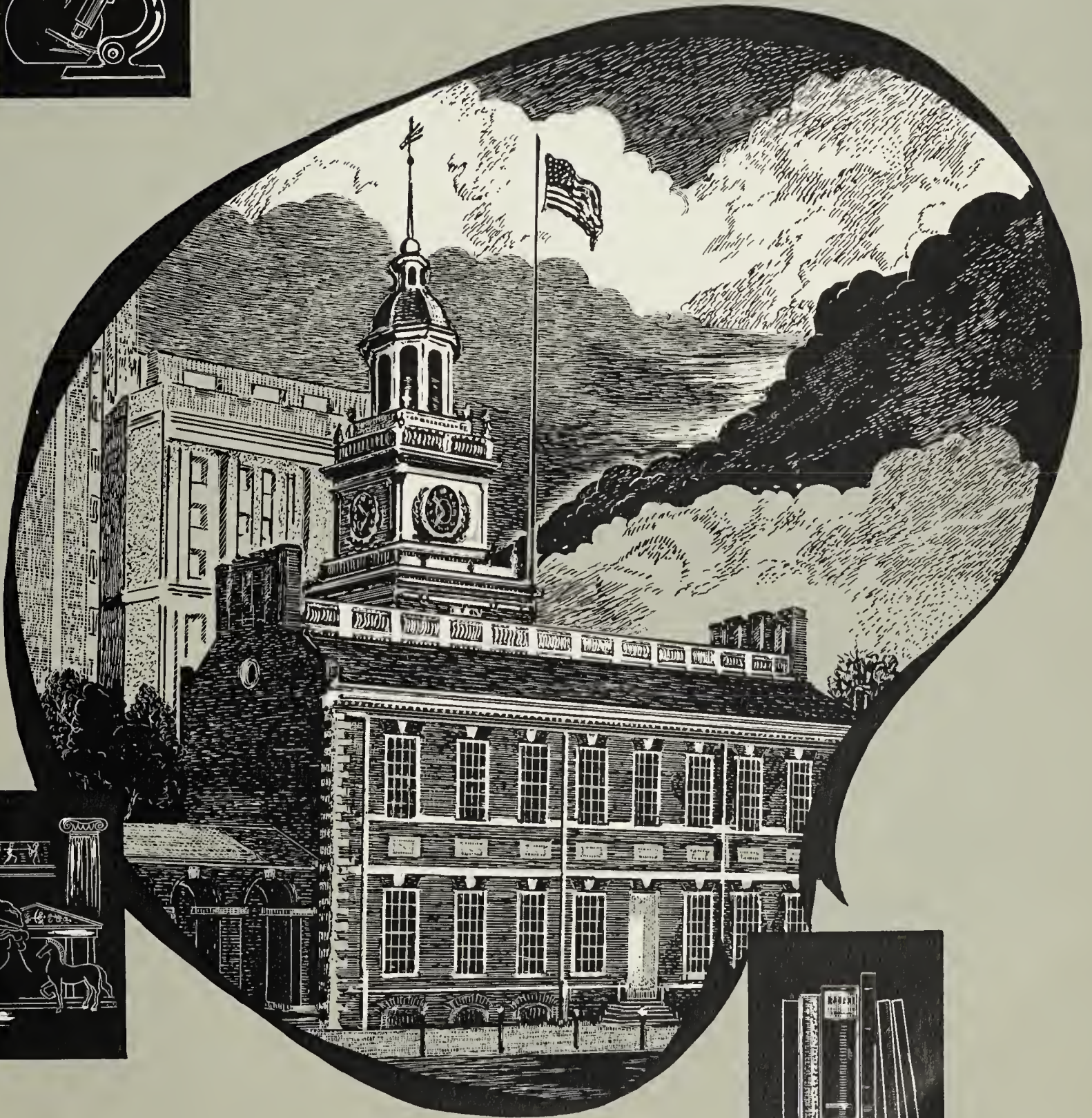
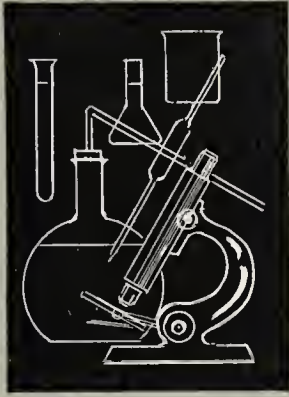
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In appreciation for the guidance you have given us, we
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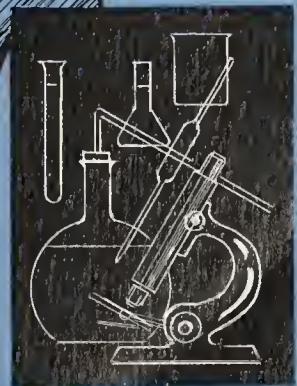
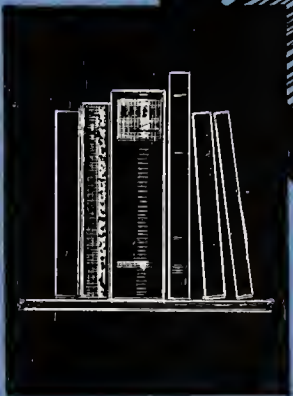
Mrs. Meta L. Sampson
Student Council Advisor

and

Mr. Preston Sampson
Senior Class Advisor

We, the members of the Student Council, point with pride to examples set by Mr. & Mrs. Sampson. Their patience, encouragement, sincerity, insight and understanding has brought us thus far on our way. We know that we can face the world confident and assured. Their effort in trying to help in any worth-while adventure instills within us the desire to conquer.

SENIORS







Senior Class Officers: Left to Right: Berdene Johnson, Treasurer, Irving Roane, President, Mary Johnson, Secretary, Edith Cox, Vice-President and Charlie Carter, Assistant Secretary.

Class Motto

"Yesterday is Past, Tomorrow is ahead, Only Today is Ours"

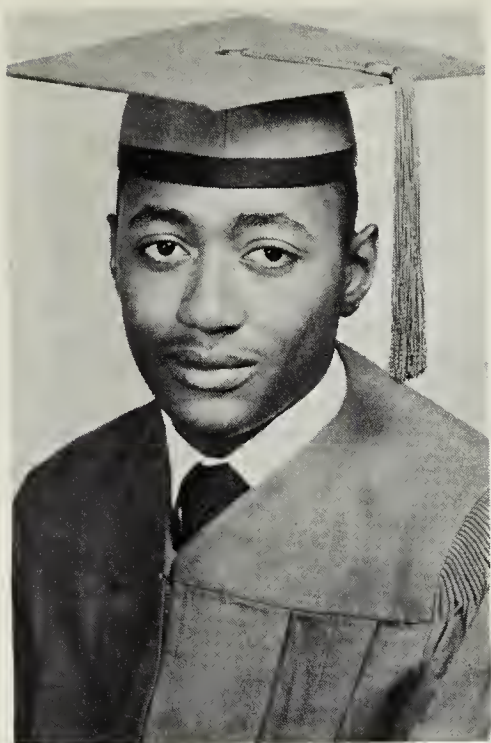
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Red Rose

Class Colors

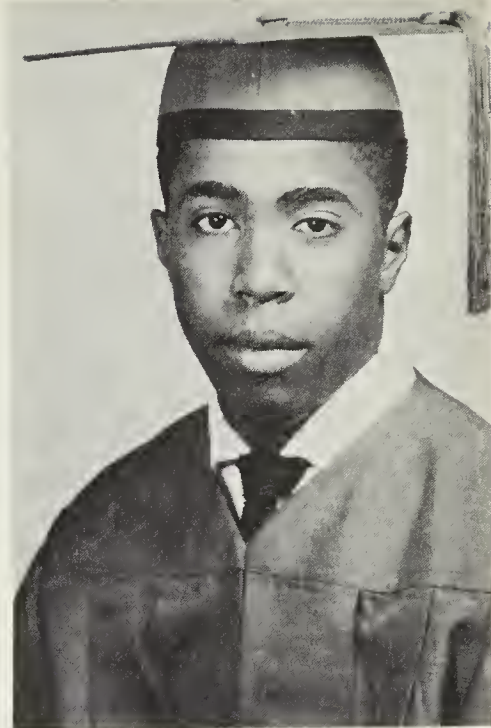
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Seniors



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N.F.A.
Band



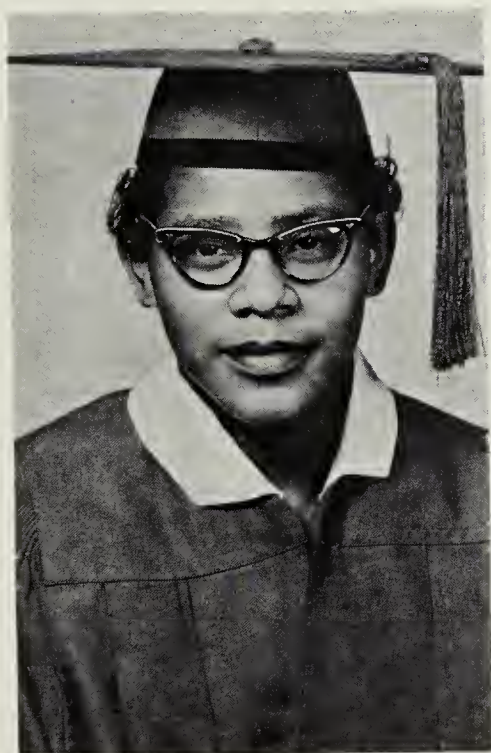
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Baseball
Basketball
Patrol



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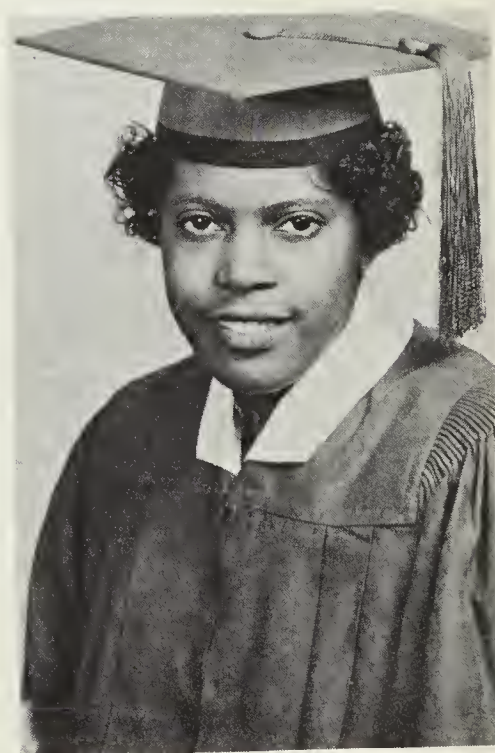
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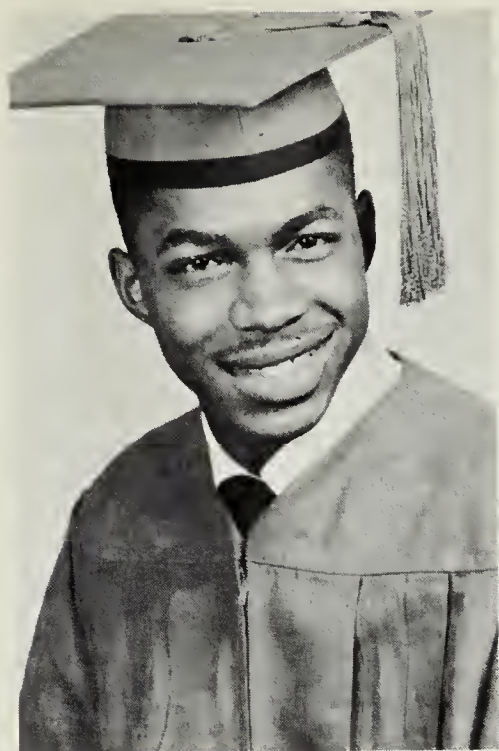
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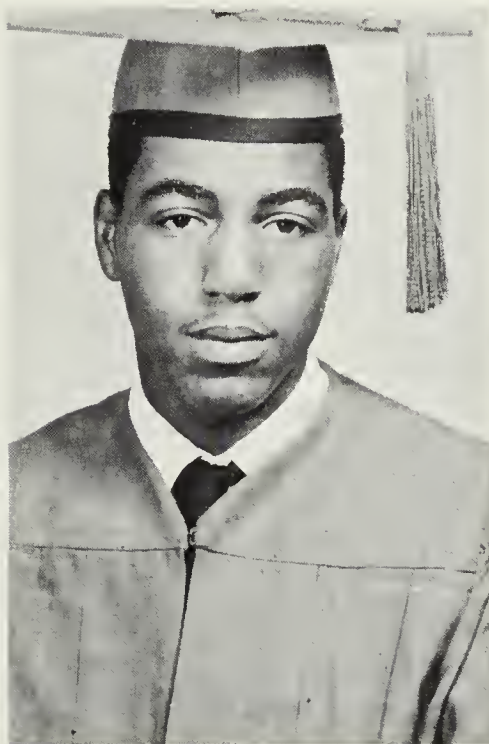
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Baseball
Choir

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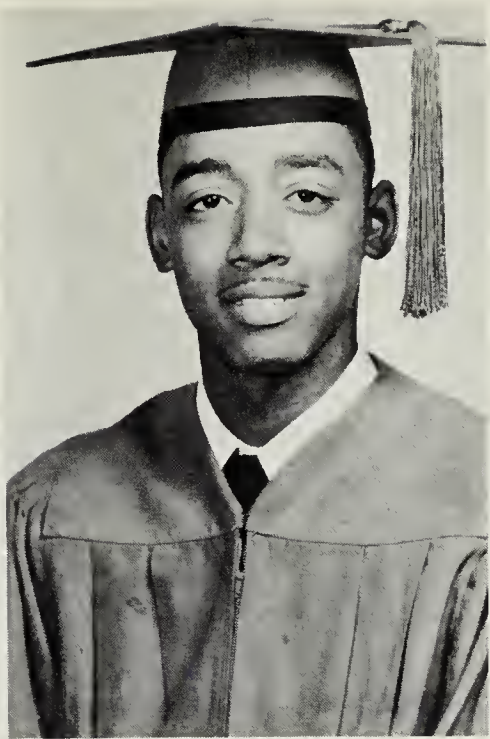
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Basketball
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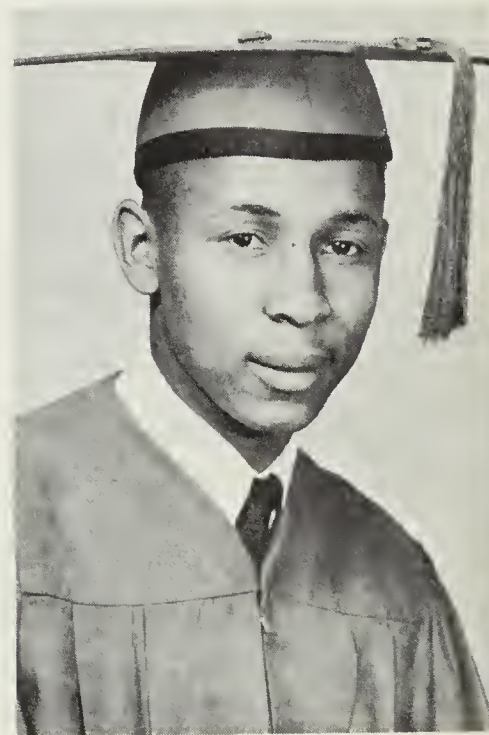
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Helen Johnson

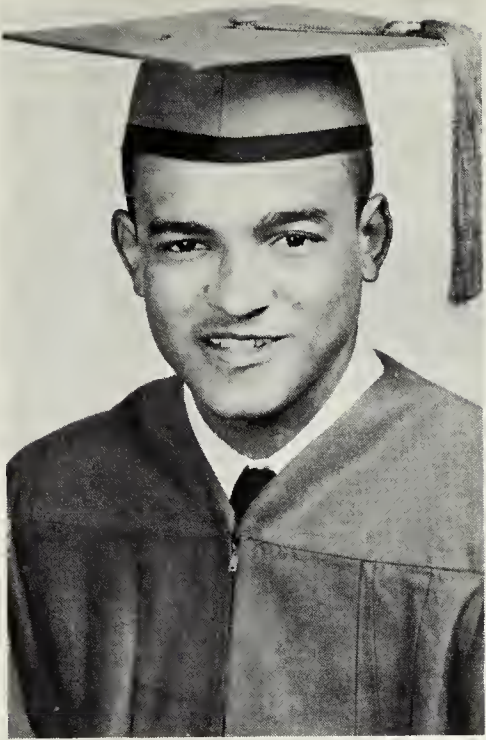
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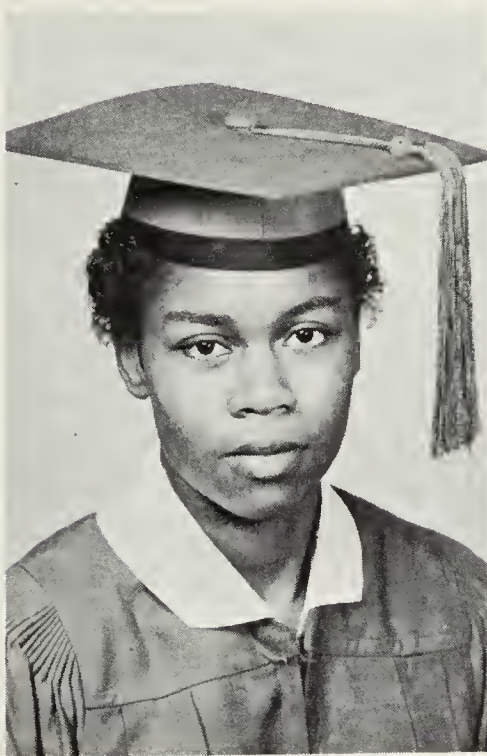
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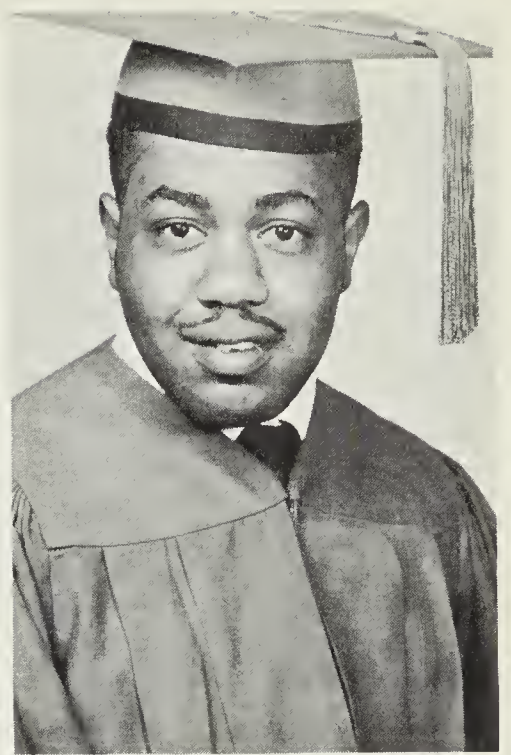
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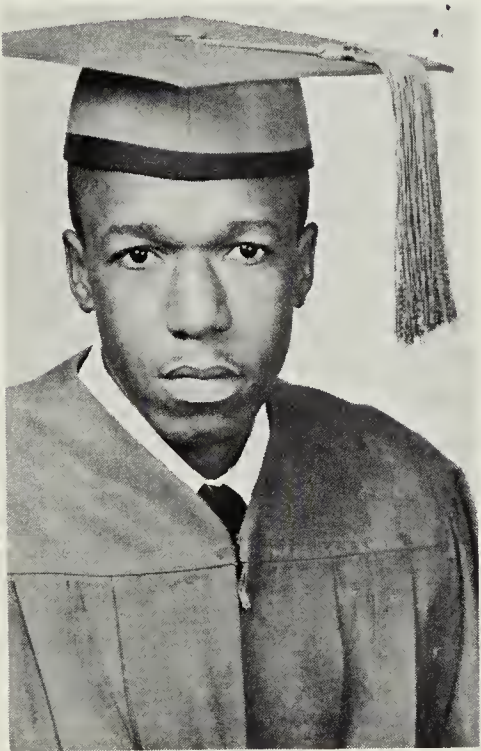
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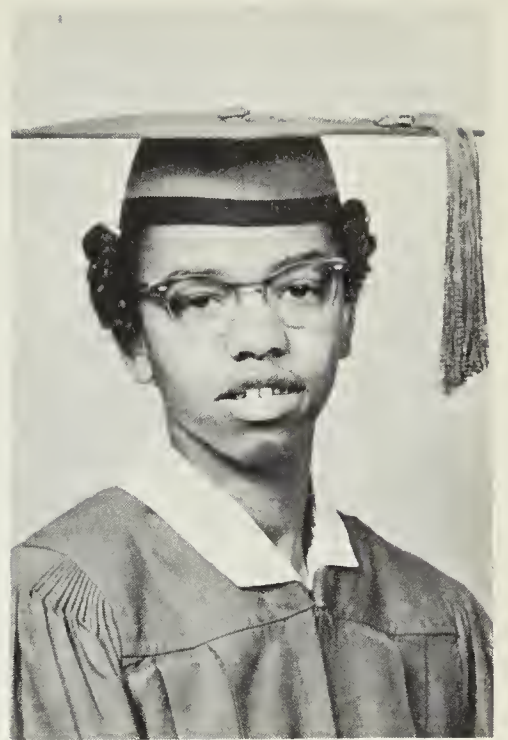
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Seniors



Dorothy Veney

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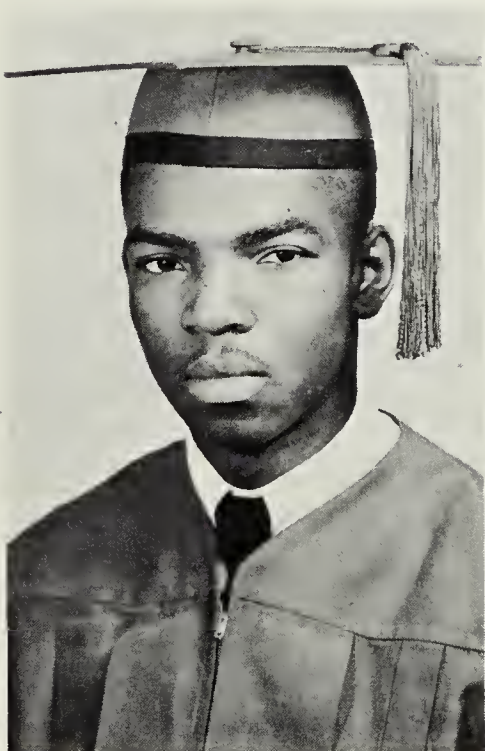
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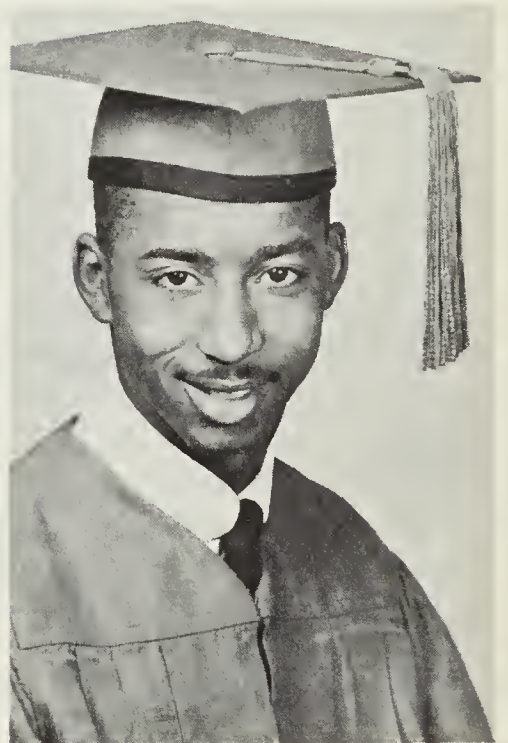
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Choir



Rudolph Veney

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James Wood

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Class History

The year of 1952 saw 54 students enter Richmond County High School with a zeal and a desire for learning. We had our first meeting when we were asked to stand, give our name and school we previously attended. It wasn't long before we were settled down for work with our inspiring homeroom teacher, Mrs. Doris P. Thompson. We liked her at first sight because of her cunning smile and personality. We were organized our first year under the leadership of our Class President, Rudolph Veney.

After struggling through the exploratory courses of the 8th grade, we entered the 9th. grade still striving to go farther in education. Now that we were more advanced and knew what high school work was like, we had a rougher road to travel under the instruction of our homeroom teacher, Miss Camilla Carter. In our Freshman year, our class was organized under the leadership of our Class President, Edward Cason.

We entered the 10th. grade knowing that we had just as far to go as we had been or farther to reach our goal. We were all afraid when we entered the 10th. grade because whenever Mrs. Young spoke, she meant it. After we began to know our homeroom teacher better, we found out that she was only trying to help us to be better students. Our class was organized under the leadership of our class president, Joseph Towles. We had a number of programs that year because Mrs. Young was a really hard worker providing equipment for the Physical Education Department.

In 1955, we became Juniors under the leadership of our homeroom teacher, Mrs. Marguerite Pickens. Our Class President was Irving Roane. This is a year we shall never forget. We planned for the Junior-Senior Prom. We ordered our rings with the expectation of becoming seniors.

Then came the school year 1956-57. This was the year we had dreamed of. This year we entered Richmond County High School as seniors. Irving Roane was selected to preside over this class. Our senior year was a busy year. We went about our work with a solemnity.

Now we stand at the threshold of a large world. We know that the friends we have made, the activities we have engaged in and the lessons we have learned will always linger within us and we shall recall the years spent at Richmond County High School as the best years of our lives.



Class Will

We, the class of 1957, of the Richmond County High School, do hereby make and declare this to be our last will and testament in form and manner as follows:

To the school, we leave our examples and our devotion.

To the community, we leave character and high moral ideas.

To our beloved faculty, we leave an undying love and gratitude for all the help and understanding they have given us.

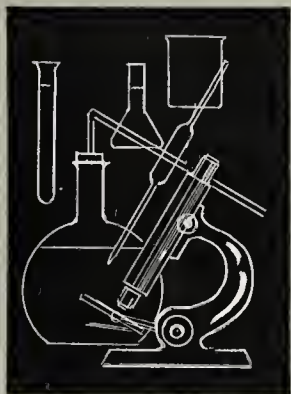
To the Junior Class, we leave our attitude of recognizing that we are only a part of the student body and must cooperate with others if we are to make a real contribution to education.

To the Sophomore Class, we bestow our ability to cooperate with the faculty and others as we have for five years.

To the Freshman Class, we leave our determination, never to quit, but to reach the highest goal in life we possible can.

To the 8th. Grade, we leave our ability to stay in school as well as we have and always strive to go forward.

JUNIORS



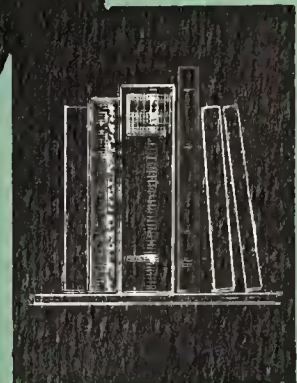
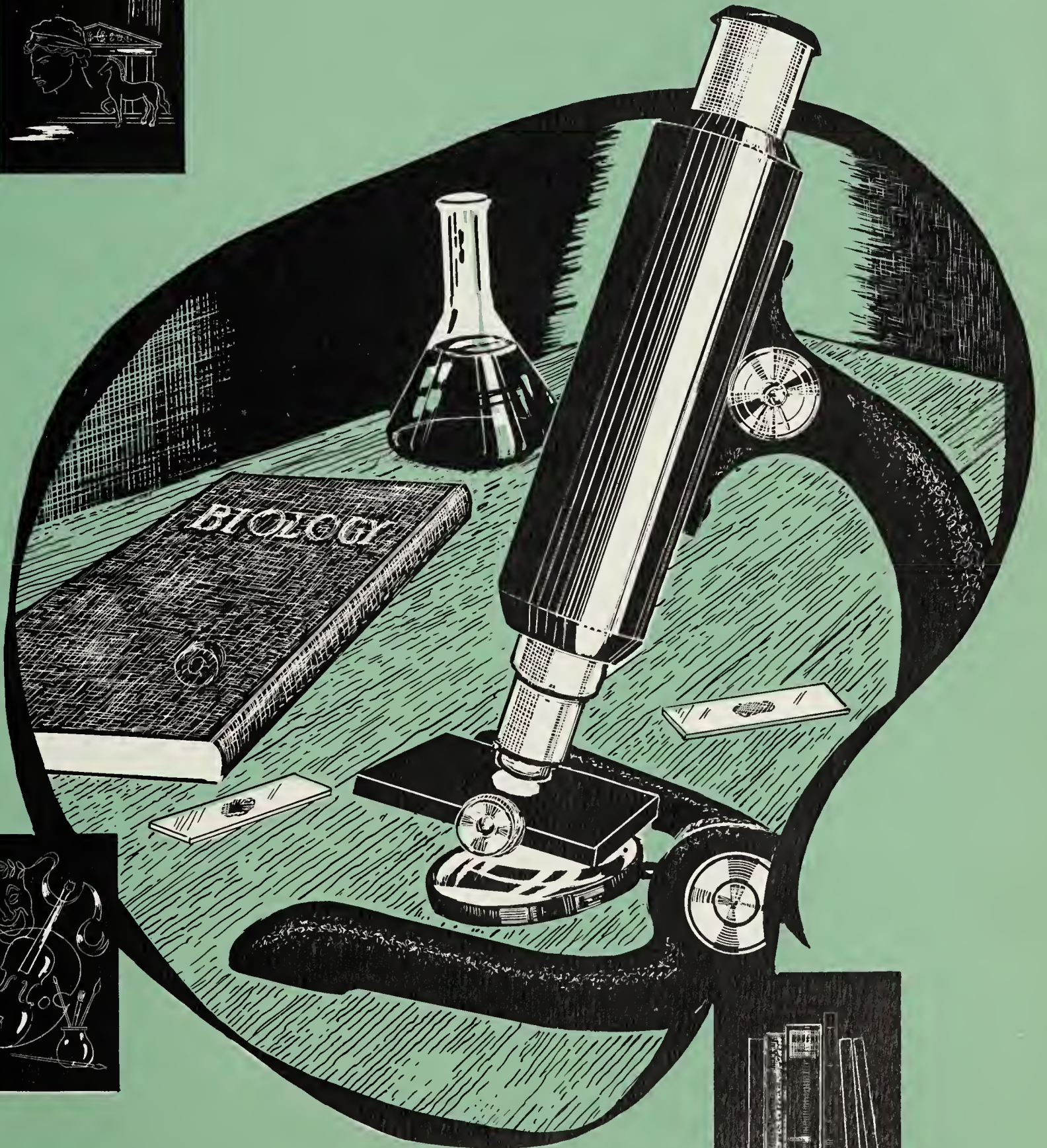
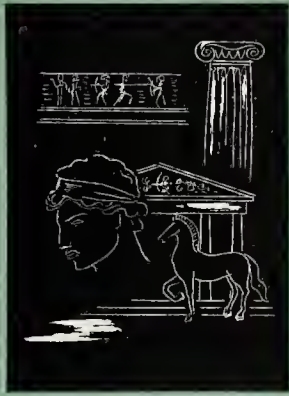


Junior Class Officers: Left to Right: Elsie Gray, Treasurer. Irene Wood, President, Rachel Scott, Secretary, Virginia Monroe, Vice-President and Helen Monroe, Assistant Secretary.



These students are awaiting next year when they will be seniors. This year, however, they are working hard. Their home room teacher is Mrs. M. L. Pickens.

SOPHOMORES



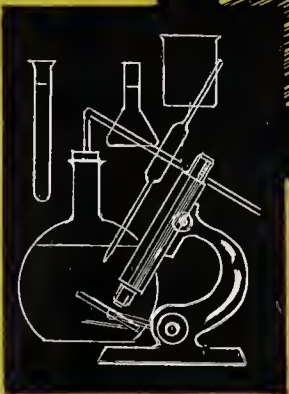


10th. Grade Class Officers: Left to Right: Verona Saunders, Vice-President, Barbara Burrell, President, Nettie Burrell, Secretary, Francis Veney, Assistant Secretary and Helen Maiden, Treasurer.



These girls and boys hope to be the seniors of 1959. Mrs. Rachel P. Young is the Advisor.

FRESHMEN





9th. Grade Class Officers: Left to Right: Deloris Sorrell, Pres., Clara Gray, Assist. Sec., Dorothy Pettiford, Vice-Pres., Joan LeVere, Sec., George Brown, Sgt. at Arms, Thelma Thompson. Treas.



This class is working hard looking to the year of 1960 when they will be seniors.

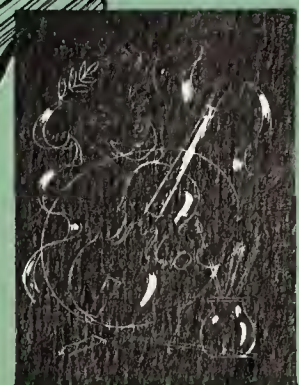


8th. Grade Class Officers: Left to Right: Geraldine Gay Veney, President, Annie Clayton, Vice-President, Ruby Brown, Secretary, William Norris, Assistant Secretary and Jean Lewis, Treasurer.



These girls and boys came from the different elementary schools. This year they are exploring high school work and finding it interesting. Mrs. Meta Sampson is their home room teacher.

ACTIVITIES



Student Council



To make Richmond County High School the best...To strive to improve ourselves, our school and our community is our desire. We strive to maintain high ideals and high scholarship.

Seated are: Allen Wood, Assistant Secretary, Elsie Gray, Vice-President, Charlie Carter, President, Irene Wood, Secretary, and Yvonne Thompson, Treasurer.

Standing Are: Rachel Scott, Ermatine Veney, Verona Saunders, Rudolph Veney, Jean Washington, Jean Lewis and Geraldine Gay Veney.



Algebra: Today the world is looking for trained mathematicians. Here girls and boys prepare themselves. The class is taught by Mr. William H. Mackey.



Biology: Biology presents many chances for experimentation. Here students, under the direction of Mrs. Rachel Young, work to preserve a deer's head.



Home Economics: Girls in Home Economics receive training in all areas of home-making. They are trained so that they might become good home makers.



Art: Art classes develop creative ability. Here students work on varied projects. Mrs. M. L. Pickens, Instructor, inspects the work.

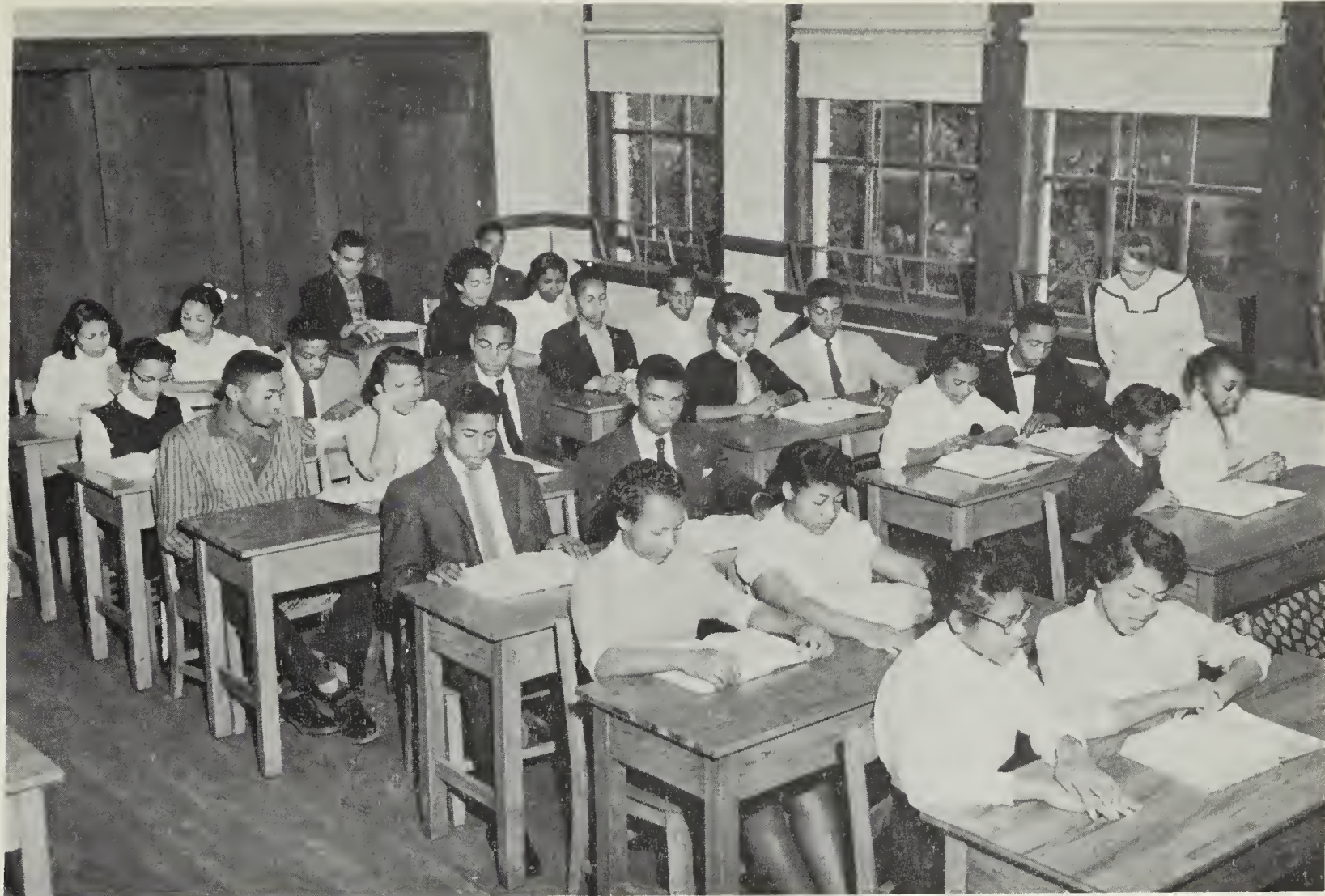


"TYPING"

Students receive instruction and practice that enable them to become efficient typists.



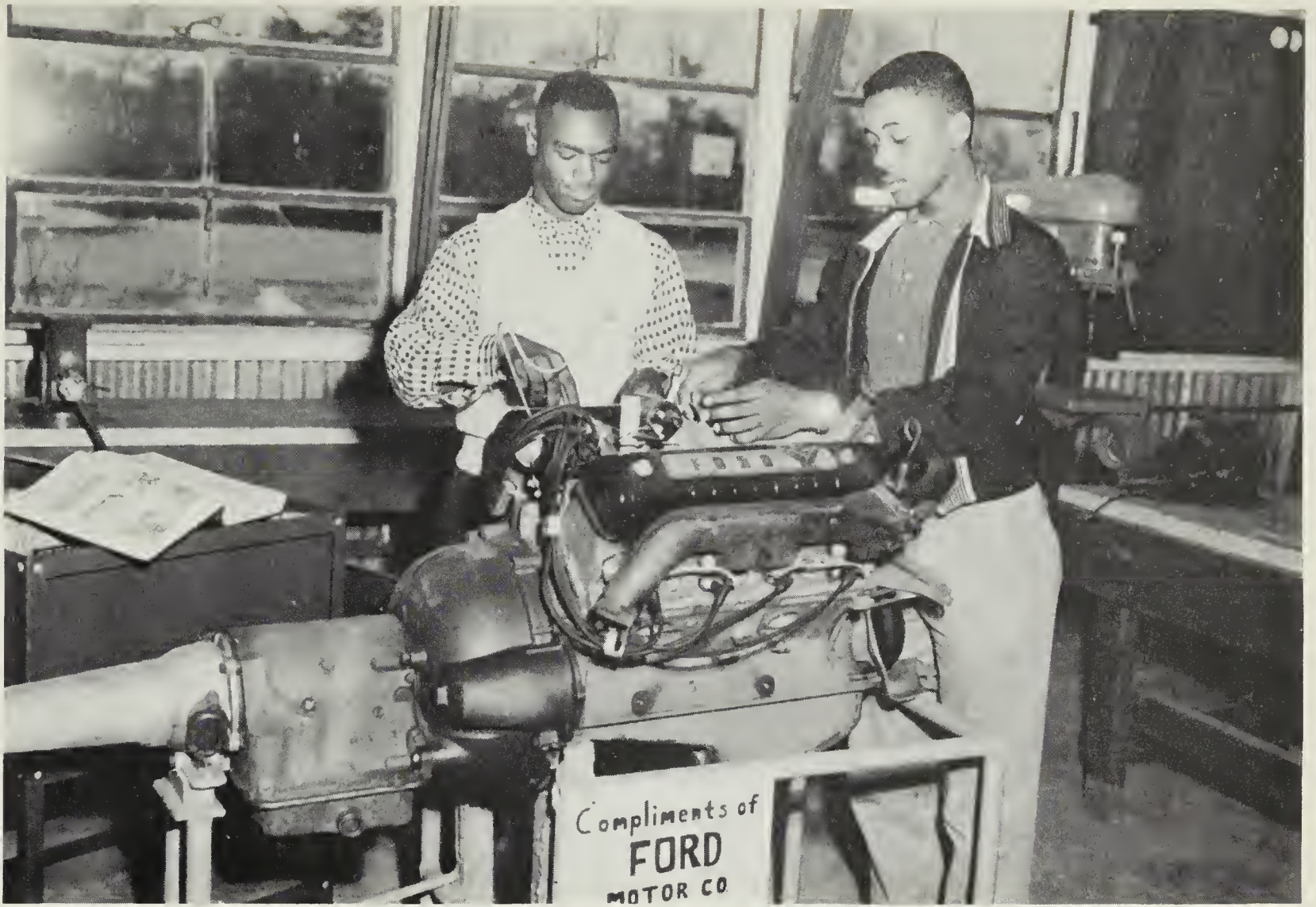
Social Studies: The Social Studies classes are designed to help students cope with problems and become better citizens. Here students work on Income Tax.



English: English is a very important subject. It offers students a chance to learn grammar, composition, and public speaking.



Safety Patrol: These girls and boys work to make Richmond County High School a good school. These students help others have a safe trip to and from school.



Boys in Shop do much interesting work



These boys in Agriculture use their power of observation to learn.



Dramatics: The students act out a scene from "High Window". The Dramatics Club is designed to develop acting ability and a love for the theater.



Coed Hi-Y Club: The Coed Hi-Y Club is composed of students from all grades. They strive to become better citizens at home, at school and in their communities.



The N.H.A. Officers, under the direction of Mrs. Addie Nichols, have participated successfully in many activities. Irene Wood, left on first row, is President.



The N.F.A. Officers, under the direction of Mr. W. H. Walker, have led the organization to great goals. Rudolph Veney, center, is President.



Band: The Richmond County High School Band has made great progress. In the District Festival it received a 1 rating. The band is directed by Mr. Douglas Anderson.



Choir: The choir, under the direction of Mr. Anderson, has given many wonderful performances. The choir received a 2 rating at the District Festival.



"PHYSICAL EDUCATION"

Physical Education helps girls and boys develop themselves into strong, healthy individuals. Here a class, under the direction of Mrs. Young, build a pyramid.

Bottom Row: Levern Sydnor, Howard Wood, Martinmer Taylor, Frank Johnson and Kirvan Blue.

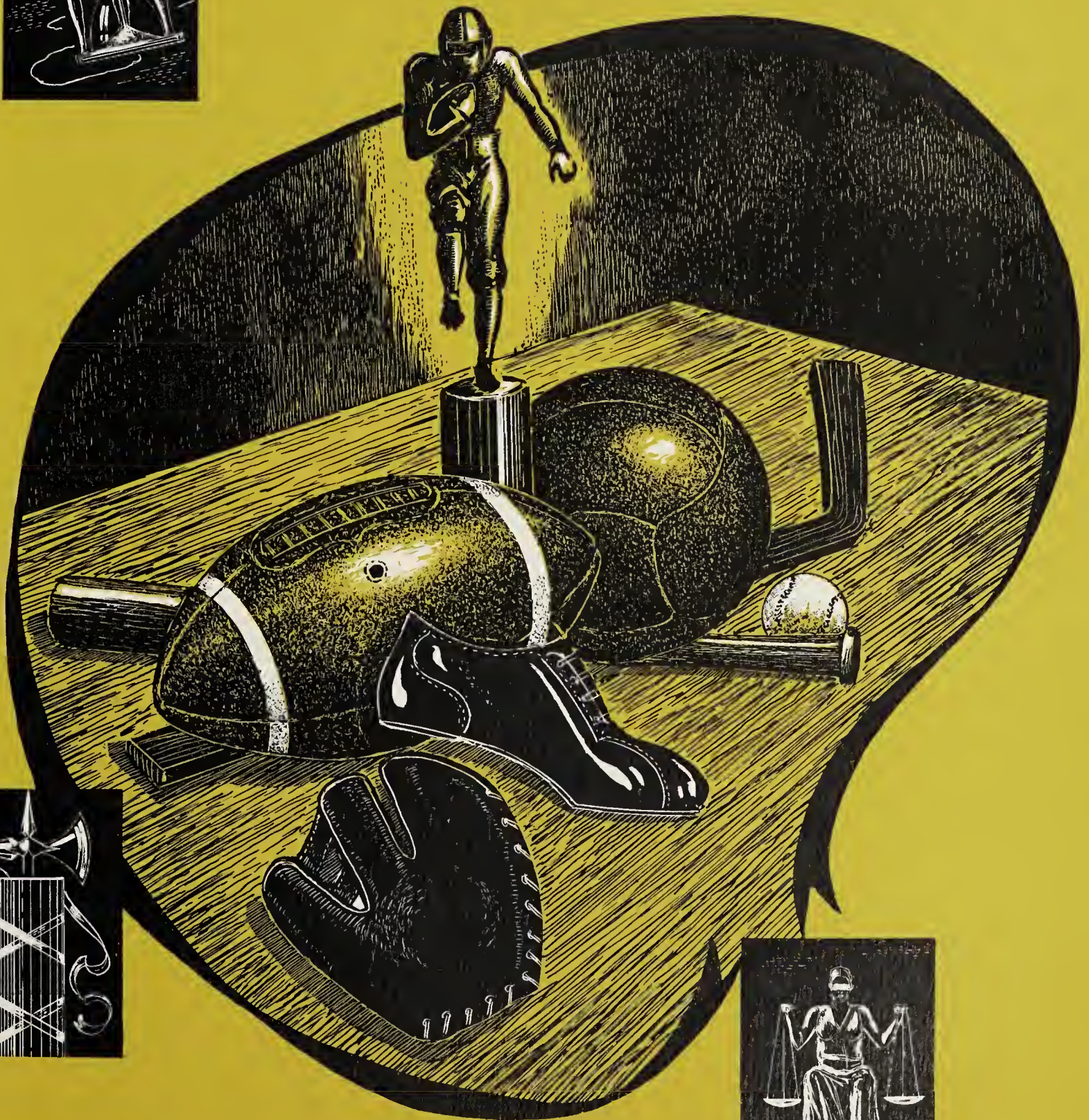
2nd. Row: Mary Johnson, Edith Cox, Ermatine Veney and Beredene Johnson.

3rd. Row: Doris Kellew. Mary Henry and Shirley Brown.

4th. Row: Dorothy Gaines and Mary Shelton

Top Row: William Cox

SPORTS



Baseball



FIRST ROW, left to right: Levern Sydnor, James Jackson, Howard Wood, James Wood, William Johnson.

SECOND ROW, left to right: Thomas Thompson, Charles Thompson, Carrington Woodie, Charlie Carter, Kirvan Blue.



Howard Wood and Charles Thompson

Basketball



FIRST ROW, left to right: Levern Sydnor, Carrington Woodie, William Johnson, James Wood, Howard Wood.

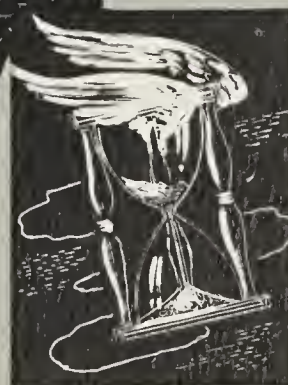
SECOND ROW, left to right: Charles Thompson, Irving Roane, Thomas Thompson, Kirvan Blue.



William Johnson

"Ready to Shoot"

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